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SUBJECT: INCIDENTS AT SEA AGREEMENT: PROTOCOL TO BE
SIGNED MAY 22

1. THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT
ON PREVENTION OF INCIDENTS ON AND OVER THE HIGH SEAS BEGAN
IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 14, 1973, BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE US AND THE USSR. THIS IS THE FIRST SUCH REVIEW
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ENVISAGED UNDER ARTICLE IX OF THE AGREEMENT SINCE IT WAS SIGNED IN MOSCOW ON MAY 25, 1972. DURING THE CURRENT ROUND OF TALKS, BOTH DELEGATIONS AGREED ON THE TEXT OF A PROTOCOL TO EXTEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FOR THE SAFETY OF NON- MILITARY VESSELS OF EACH SIDE.

2. WHILE THE BASIC AGREEMENT WAS DESIGNED BY THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION TO INSURE THE OPERATIONAL SAFETY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE MILITARY FORCES ON AND OVER THE HIGH SEAS, THE PROTOCOL STATES THAT BOTH PARTIES SHOULD LIMIT WARSHIPS AND AIRCRAFTS FROM ACTS SUCH AS AIMING GUNS OR LAUNCHING OBJECTS, NEAR NON- MILITARY SHIPS OF THE OTHER SIDE.

3. THE PROTOCOL WILL ENTER INTO FORCE ON THE DAY OF ITS SIGNING AND WILL BE CONSIDERED AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE BASIC AGREEMENT. CURRENT ARRANGEMENTS CALL FOR THE SIGNING TO TAKE PLACE AT 1000 HOURS, EDT, MAY 22, 1973.

4. TEXT OF THE PROTOCOL WILL BE FORWARDED TO MISSION AFTER SIGNING. OPERATIVE PROVISION OF THE PROTOCOL IS AS FOLLOWS: " ARTICLE II. SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT OF THE PARTIES SHALL NOT MAKE SIMULATED ATTACKS BY AIMING GUNS, MISSILE LAUNCHERS, TORPEDO TUBES AND OTHER WEAPONS AT NON- MILITARY SHIPS OF THE OTHER PARTY, NOR LAUNCH NOR DROP ANY OBJECTS NEAR NON- MILITARY SHIPS OF THE OTHER PARTY IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO BE HAZARDOUS TO THESE SHIPS OR TO CONSTITUTE A HAZARD TO NAVIGATION."

5. MISSION SHOULD COMMUNICATE THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO PERMREPS AS FAR IN ADVANCE OF THE SIGNING AS POSSIBLE.
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